

Syllabus

CSC 141 Introduction to the Game Industry

General Information

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Computing Sciences

Course Prefix

CSC

Course Number

141

Course Title

Introduction to the Game Industry

Course Information

Credit Hours

3

Lecture Contact Hours

3

Lab Contact Hours

0

Other Contact Hours

0

Catalog Description

Introduction to Game Industry emphasizes the current state of the industry with a focus on the process of game development. Students will explore Agile production techniques and emulate the division of roles within a game studio (e.g. producer, artist, engineer, and designer) while collaborating on a long term project to create a game. This course is designed for the AS Game Programming and Design student.

Key Assessment

This course does not contain a Key Assessment for any programs

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Prerequisites

None

Co-requisites

None

Grading Scheme

Letter

First Year Experience/Capstone Designation

This course DOES NOT satisfy the outcomes applicable for status as a FYE or Capstone.

SUNY General Education

This course is designated as satisfying a requirement in the following SUNY Gen Ed category

None

FLCC Values

Institutional Learning Outcomes Addressed by the Course

Vitality

Inquiry

Perseverance

Interconnectedness

Course Learning Outcomes

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- 1. Utilize the process of collaborative software production to develop a simple game.
- 2. Analyze and reflect on the departments, structure, and general operations of game companies.
- 3. Outline the requirements for collaboration with external contributors.

Outline of Topics Covered

- I. Introduction
 - a. How Games Are Made
 - b. The Evolution of Games
 - c. Overview of Game Genres

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- d. Overview of Game Platforms
- II. Game Development Cycle
 - a. The Production Cycle
 - b. The Production Team
 - c. Scheduling and Budgets
- III. Documenting the Idea
 - a. The Elements of Game Play
 - b. Committing Ideas to Paper
 - c. The Game Design Document
 - d. Technical Review
- IV. Implementing the Vision
 - a. Coding the Game
 - b. Visualizing the Game
 - c. Hearing the Game
- V. Elements of Game Design Implementation
 - a. Interface Design
 - b. Math and Logic and Artificial Intelligence
 - c. Storytelling in Games
 - d. Prototyping and Building Playfields
 - e. Completing the Game
- VI. The Business Side of Games
 - a. Marketing the Game
 - b. Economics of the Game Industry
 - c. Breaking into the Game Industry

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